enhanced from Rs. 195 crores to Rs. 220 crores *w.e.f.* 1st Feb., 2001 and the period of continuous overdraft entailing suspension of payment is also increased from 10 to 12 days. All these efforts would help the State in managing its cash position, without depending on a general waiver on loans payable to Government of India.

MNCs trading in telecom equipments

2646. DR. C. NARAYANA REDDY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that some multinational companies which had declared themselves as manufacturing companies of Telecom Equipments to Foreign Investment Promotion Board (FIPB) are actually involved in trading of such equipments instead of manufacturing;

(b) if so, whether any enquiry has been made in this regard;

(c) if so, the outcome of the same; and

(d) the action taken/proposed to be taken by Government against such erring companies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) Multinational companies are permitted to import finished equipment provided they are allowed to import and market such equipment by the Foreign Investment Promotion Board (FIPB) as per the Foreign Direct Investment Policy.

(b) No violation of the above policy has been reported.

(c) and (d) Question do not arise.

Grant-in-aid to Rajasthan

†2647. DR. MAHESH CHANDRA SHARMA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of grant provided to Rajasthan in the financial years of 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 by the Ministry of Finance alongwith the details of the heads, programmes or projects and specific field; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) whether Rajasthan Government has certified the utilisation of this amount in time?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALA SAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) Central assistance for State Annual Plans is released by the Ministry of Finance in the shape of Block Loans and Block Grants. Besides, transfers/grants recommended by Finance Commissions are also released to the States. The details for the years 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 in respect of Rajasthan are as under:

(Rs. in crores)

Items	Released during 1999-2000	Released during 2000-01 so far
1. Plan		
i) Block Loans	805.77	596.97
ii) Block Grants	345.66	413.29
2. Share in Central taxes	2184.82	2640.41
3. Non-Plan		
i) Rev. Def. Grant	0.00	811.97
ii) Grants in lieu of Railway passenger fare tax	16.89	0.00
iii) Upgradation & Spl. Problem Grant	41.27	65.27
iv) Local Bodies Grant	76.91	59.03
v) Centre's share of CRF	155.25	196.00
vi) Grants from NFCR/NCCF	102.93	85.00
vii) Small Savings Loan	1705.34	2203.82

(b) State Governments are accountable to their respective legislatures for appropriations of expenditure and their accounts are audited by the C&AG

Recovery suits in respect of defaulting creditors

2648. SHRI KHAGEN DAS: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state: